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LETTER SUBMITTING ANNOTATED AND REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET

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Alexandria, VA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

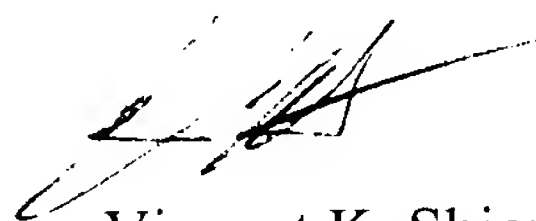
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The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

The Annotated drawing sheet for Fig. 17 indicates the deletion of the box surrounding the drawing as being deleted as requested by the Examiner. The attached Replacement Drawing Sheet for Fig. 17 has been corrected as advised by the Examiner and is the substitute drawing replacing the Fig. 17 originally filed with the application. No new matter has been added to this figure.

Respectfully Submitted,

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